

1 DESCRIBING PEOPLE

- a Add an ending to the nouns and verbs below and make any other small changes necessary to form adjectives. Write them in the correct column.

affection /ə'fekʃn/ assert /ə'sɜ:t/ attract /ə'trækt/
 compassion /kəm'pæʃn/ consider /kən'sɪdə/
 create /kri'eɪt/ envy /'envi/ glamour /'glæmə/
 help /help/ impulse /'ɪmpʌls/ love /lʌv/
 possess /pə'zes/ power /paʊə/ rebel /rɪ'bel/
 rely /rɪ'laɪ/ response /rɪ'spɒns/ thought /θɔ:t/

Word endings for adjectives

Many adjectives are formed by adding suffixes (= endings) such as *-able* / *-ible* to a noun or verb. Sometimes another small spelling change is required, e.g. losing a final *e* (*fame* – *famous*). Check the spelling changes in your dictionary. Knowing typical suffixes will help you to recognize that a new word is an adjective.

-able / -ible	-ate	-ive	-ous	-ful
sociable sensible	passionate affectionate	sensitive	ambitious	successful

- b 1.9 Listen and check.

ACTIVATION Cover the chart and look at the nouns and verbs in a. Say the adjectives.



'I was a very rebellious teenager.'

2 DESCRIBING PLACES AND THINGS

- a Add an ending to the nouns and verbs below and make any other small changes necessary to form adjectives. Write them in the correct column.

afford /ə'fɔ:d/ colour /'kʌlə/ comfort /'kʌmfət/
 desire /dɪ'zaɪə/ dirt /dɜ:t/ expense /ɪk'spens/
 health /helθ/ impress /ɪm'pres/ luxury /'lʌkʃəri/
 mess /mes/ noise /nɔɪz/ peace /pi:s/ profit /'prɒfɪt/
 rest /rest/ risk /rɪsk/ space /speɪs/ stress /stres/
 suit /su:t/

-able	-y	-ive	-ous	-ful
recognizable affordable	easy	addictive	dangerous	useful

- b 1.10 Listen and check.

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3 -FUL AND -LESS

-ful and -less

-ful and *-less* are suffixes which add the meaning 'with' or 'without' to the base word, e.g. *careful* = with care, *careless* = without care, *hopeful* = with hope, *hopeless* = without hope.

However, not all words which can form an adjective with *-ful* can also form one with *-less*, e.g. we can say *successful* but **NOT** *successless*, and not all words which can form an adjective with *-less* can also form one with *-ful*, e.g. we can say *endless* but **NOT** *endful*.

- a Look at the *-ful* adjectives in the charts in 1 and 2. Tick the ones that can form an adjective with *-less*.

- b 1.11 Listen and check.

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